Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Martin B. Voeltz's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Martin B. Voeltz devoted more than 20 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a combat engineer, heavy vehicle driver and leader in the Army National Guard and has performed service in the Dominican Republic and Germany; state activations in support of Hurricane Katrina Relief efforts and is a recipient of the Combat Action Badge during support of Operation Iraqi Freedom I; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Voeltz continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Martin B. Voeltz for more than 20 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 30, 2006, as

STAFF SERGEANT MARTIN B. VOELTZ DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State